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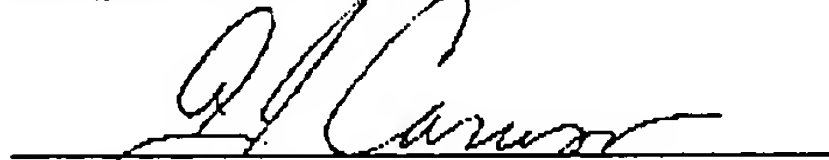
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REMARKS

In the Office Action of June 29, 2006, claims 1-40 were subjected to a restriction requirement. As required under 35 USC 121 the Applicant elects without traverse the Group I claims 1-18 and 31-40 drawn to a method. The Applicant was also required by the Examiner under 35 USC 121 to elect a single disclosed species. The Examiner did not propose any species to which examination might be restricted (MPEP 809.02(a)(B)). The Applicant herewith elects the species of the invention wherein (a) the target process condition is a target ionization voltage, (b) replacement of the cascade plate with another plate having an orifice configured a straight wall length, (c) the plasma is generated at the target ionization voltage, and (d) the substrate is polycarbonate. Claims reading on the elected species include claims 1-4 and 7-18.

If further questions arise the Examiner is requested to contact the Applicant's undersigned representative at the telephone number below.

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